ABSTRACT

The method of the invention is implemented in a communication network comprising a source device (1) that contains:

- a first symmetric key (K_C) for encrypting the data (CW) to be sent to a presentation device (2) connected to the network; and
- said first symmetric key (K_C) encrypted ($E2\{K_N\}(K_C)$) with a second symmetric network key (K_N) known only by at least one presentation device (2) connected to the network.

When the source device needs to renew its first symmetric key (K_C) to encrypt new data, it generates a random number (D), then calculates a new symmetric key (K'_C) based on the first symmetric key (K_C) and on the random number (D). It then encrypts the data to be transmitted (CW) with the new symmetric key (K'_C) then it transmits to a presentation device, via the network:

- the data encrypted with the new symmetric key ($E3\{K'_C\}(CW)$);
- the random number (D); and
- the first symmetric key encrypted with the second symmetric network key ($E2\{K_N\}(K_C)$).

Figure 3.